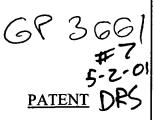
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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing a Supplemental Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449).

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement updates the Information Disclosure Statement of March 19, 2001 (which was earlier supplemented by the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement of April 6, 2001) by providing a translation for each of DE 43 39 251; DE 43 36 056 and DE 43 06 623. In view of this update, an updated PTO-1449 form is enclosed herewith which lists the above German references and indicates a translation has been provided for each. The enclosed PTO-1449 is thus intended to replace that filed on March 19, 2001 listing the same references and noting that an Abstract was being provided.

Applicants have also confirmed that DE '251 was not known to the Applicants and those involved with this case more than three months prior to its discovery by the undersigned and inclusion in the March 19, 2001 Information Disclosure Statement.

Accordingly, a certification under 37 CRF 1.97(e)(2) is provided herewith with respect to this reference.

Applicants respectfully request that the documents cited be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that they be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

Applicants look forward to receipt of an initialized copy of the accompanying PTO-1449 form acknowledging receipt of the reference cited therein.

No fees are considered necessary. However, should any fees be required with this Information Disclosure Statement, please charge the fees which may be necessary to Deposit Account No. 02-4300 and credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

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